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Inmate Death at MCFP Springfield

WASHINGTON, D.C.: On Saturday, October 24, 2020, inmate Austin Robinson tested positive for COVID-19 and was placed in medical isolation at the Medical Center for Federal Prisoners (MCFP) Springfield, in Springfield, Missouri. He received daily symptom checks and was assigned to a unit with 24-hour nursing staff where he was evaluated for respiratory distress. On Wednesday, December 2, 2020, Mr. Robinson was found unresponsive at the institution. Responding staff immediately initiated life-savings measures. Staff requested emergency medical services (EMS) and life-saving efforts continued. Subsequently, Mr. Robinson, who had long-term pre-existing medical conditions, which the CDC lists as risk factors for developing more severe COVID-19 disease, was pronounced deceased.

Mr. Robinson was a 46-year-old male who was sentenced in the Western District of Texas to a 97-month sentence for a Supervised Release Violation based on Conspiracy to Possess With Intent to Distribute 28 Grams or more of Cocaine Base. He had been in custody at MCFP Springfield since August 6, 2020.

MCFP in Springfield is an administrative security facility that currently houses 822 male offenders.

The Bureau of Prisons will continue to provide daily updates and information on actions related to COVID-19 at www.bop.gov/coronavirus/index.jsp.

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